



## St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



**March 6<sup>th</sup> 2022 - 1st Sunday of Lent**

One of the greatest temptations human beings face is leaving the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them in pursuit of more personal satisfactions. When we consider all that desires our attention in a given day, there are many lures that attract us to illusions about ourselves. We can easily find ourselves distracted or tired, preoccupied with preserving our status in life, social relationships, current trends, and corporate demands, and intrigued by pursuing what we perceive to be the "path of least resistance." The daily concerns of life can quickly take our eyes off of our truth, making the empty promises of worldly accomplishments and ideologies seem so attractive. What is at risk in giving into this temptation?

We cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. We replace the true God with a "pet" one. While many do not totally dismiss the idea of God and pretend to remain at least remotely connected, they do not invest themselves heart, mind, and soul in the relationship either. That is why we are so easily swayed. If something attractive comes along, we lunge for it. After all, having a position above and over everyone else is a good thing, isn't it? In more honest moments, many have to admit that they believe this to be true. The Evil One is very convincing. But he can only gain control if we allow him to.

About temptation, St. Basil remarks, "As the pilot of a vessel is tried in the storm, as the wrestler is tried in the ring, the soldier in the battle and the hero in adversity, so is the Christian tried in temptation." And here is found the reason for Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity to get a handle on the attractive lures of illusion that easily captivate us and bring us off track. It is also a time for some honest reflection rooted in prayer, fasting, and selfless giving that can bring us to temptation's remedy: love. Love of his Father gave Jesus resistance. It can do the same for us.

**WEEKLY**

**NEWSLETTER**

**March 6th 2022**

***St Brigid's Church closed on Nov 1st for essential maintenance work which is expected to take approx. 4 months***

We are encouraging our parishioners to attend Masses both on the weekday and Sundays in the other two Churches in the Pastoral area, namely Johnstown and Foxrock. Masses can also be viewed online from these Churches.

<https://www.churchservices.tv/foxrock>  
<https://www.churchservices.tv/johnstownour lady>

<https://cabinteelyparish.ie/mass-times-in-neighbouring-parishes/>

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

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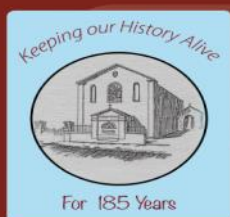
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Monday - Friday 9 - 1pm

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and CHY 7424



**Our Church is Closed for Essential Works until early 2022**  
**Thank you for your continued support**

[www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie)

**Parish Office & Centre  
will remain open**

**PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

## Church Re-Opening Update

God willing, our first Public Mass in the newly Renovated-Repaired Church will be at **10 AM on St Patrick's Day March 17th**

**Thereafter** weekday Masses will be at 10 AM on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays.

At the weekend, Mass times will be  
Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM**  
Sundays: **10 AM and 12.30 PM**

We are as always looking for our volunteers to return and also for new volunteers to take up any of the many ministries in the Parish. Masses will continue to be broadcast live via our web cam.

**First Penance for the boys and Girls of St Brigid's schools takes place next Thursday in Foxrock Church at 7pm.**

## OFFICE FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY LENTEN INITIATIVE

The Office for Mission and Ministry are offering daily reflections for the Lenten Journey. With parishes holding their Synod gatherings during Lent, we will be focusing on themes around journeying, walking with, listening to each other and the Spirit. The reflections will be posted each morning on the Facebook page of the office for Mission and Ministry.

[www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry](http://www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry)

## **AWARE- SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS**

If you wish to connect with people in relation to your mental well-being, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail. These services provide support, coping skills and information and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more info. about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups>

**"ALONE** supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? We are **seeking volunteers** to make Support & Befriending calls to older people. Please visit our website at [www.alone.ie](http://www.alone.ie) or call our National Support and Referral line on **0818 222 024** to find out more about volunteering with ALONE."

## Supporting St. Brigid's Parish-

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The Easy Payments online donate button is below through which you can set up once off or monthly payments to all the collections. Also here are Print Version of Standing Order Forms

For First and Second Sunday Collections  
[standing-order-collections](#)

For Parish Planned Giving to support the Parish

[Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING](#)

For Church Renovation Fund

[Standing Order FUNDRAISING](#)



Volunteers needed to operate **the coffee dock** on Sundays after the 10am Mass. Please give your name into the parish office, call 012858835 or email [info@cabinteelyparish.ie](mailto:info@cabinteelyparish.ie) if you can help.

## Have your say - The Synodal Pathway Gathering

When you think of your experience of Church,  
**(I) what brings you joy?**  
**(ii) what brings you sorrow?**  
**(iii) what brings you hope? and**  
**(iv) what brings fear or anxiety?**

Let us know your thoughts .. Email [info@cabinteelyparish.ie](mailto:info@cabinteelyparish.ie) with your opinions on the 4 questions above.

## Website of the Week: 'Hope and the Nearness of God' Lent Retreat.

"This year, our retreat is based on the new book, 'Hope and the Nearness of God', by Teresa White. The thoughts and ideas from the book will provide material for our prayer and reflection. We are invited to advance along the paths of hope on our journey towards Easter."

Over 20 years ago, two Irish Jesuits were quick to appreciate the potential of the Internet as a force for digital evangelization when they started a website as a Lenten experiment in offering guided prayer online. Today, the global phenomenon that is "Sacred Space" is among the top most-visited prayer websites in the world. It attracts 18,000 visitors a day, of all Christian faiths and none. To participate in Sacred Space's 23<sup>rd</sup> online Lenten retreat. click here: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

**Anam Cara** South Dublin the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Monday 14th March at 7:30pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not **For more information, see [anamcara.ie](http://anamcara.ie) or call our Information Line on 01 4045378**

## Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you to those who continue to contribute to the 1st Collection (Common Fund which pays an allowance to priests) and the 2nd Collection (Share which supports developing parishes & the Diocesan Administration) in addition to the planned Giving which supports the running of the parish. There are permanent boxes in place for 1st & 2nd Collections. There is also a double envelope for the 1st & 2nd Collections. **If you put your name and address on the envelope we can claim the tax back on it.**  
*Fr Aquinas*